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# *Village of Almont*

*817 North Main Street  
Almont, Michigan 48003*

**Village Council:**  
Steve Schneider, President  
Tim Dyke, Pres. Pro-Tem  
Richard Lauer  
Dave Love  
Gary Peltier  
Richard Tobias  
Thomas Umphenour

## **ALMONT VILLAGE COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING December 18, 2012**

### **CALL TO ORDER**

President Schneider called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

President Schneider led the Pledge of Allegiance.

A moment of silence was held for the Sandy Hook victims.

### **ROLL CALL**

Councilmembers Present: Dyke, Lauer, Love, Peltier, Tobias, Schneider, Umphenour

Councilmembers Absent: None

Staff Present:	Village Manager	Oliver Turner
	Clerk/Treasurer	Kimberly Keesler
	Chief of Police	Pat Nael
	Mr. Roy Campau	Equipment Operator
	Ms. Laura Mohr	Police Officer

Guests Present: 5 High School Students

### **COMMUNICATIONS**

None

### **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Councilmember Dyke moved, Councilmember Peltier seconded, **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**, to approve the agenda with the addition of Item #5, Four County Community Foundation Grant Application for Ice Rink.

### **APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**

Councilmember Dyke moved, Councilmember Peltier seconded, **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**, to approve the following consent agenda items:

1. Public Hearing Minutes, December 4, 2012
2. Regular Meeting Minutes, December 4, 2012

President Schneider asked if Mr. Madden had provided the Village with sample language regarding the limitation of liability for the use of fiber optic infrastructure (as discussed in Item #4). Village Manager Turner indicated not yet, as Mr. Madden has been coordinating with the contractor who will install the fiber optic infrastructure.

Councilmember Tobias asked for a Personal Property Tax update. Village Manager Turner indicated the adopted reform is tied to a statewide vote in August 2014.



3. Warrant #12-12-B Check #31040 – 31091
4. Detroit Water Report, November 2012
5. DPW Activity Report, November 2012
6. WWTP Report, November 2012
7. Police Report, November 2012
8. Payroll Report

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

None

**REGULAR AGENDA**

**1. Construction Board of Appeals Appointments**

President Schneider appointed Phil Louwsma, Ray Davis, Ron Cischke, Doug Skylis, Tony Tomasin, Bruce Johnson, and Howard Hicks to the Village of Almont Construction Board of Appeals for two-year terms beginning January 1, 2013. He also appointed Mark Pytleski, Daryl Racz, Joseph Lombardo, and Dale Studnicka as alternate members to the same Board for two-year terms.

Councilmember Lauer moved, Councilmember Dyke seconded, **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**, to ratify the appointments of the named parties to the Village of Almont Construction Board of Appeals.

**2. Ordinance No. 184 – Ice Skating Ordinance**

Councilmember Dyke moved, Councilmember Love seconded, **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**, to adopt Ordinance No. 184, which provides rules and regulations that shall govern the use of municipal ice skating rinks or activities.

**3. Closed Session – Collective Bargaining Strategy Session**

Councilmember Peltier moved, Councilmember Dyke seconded, **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**, to enter into closed session for the purpose of conducting a collective bargaining strategy session.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Peltier, Tobias, Umphenour, Dyke, Lauer, Love, Schneider  
Nays: None  
Absent: None

Council entered into Closed Session at 8:08 p.m.

Council came out of Closed Session at 9:14 p.m.



**4. Resolution No. 12-12-04 – Village Compliance with PA 152 of 2011**

Discussion was held regarding the three different options the Village had in order to comply with PA 152 of 2011.

Councilmember Peltier moved, Councilmember Lauer seconded, **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**, to adopt Resolution No. 12-12-04 that elects to comply with the provisions of Public Act 152 of 2011 by adopting the 80/20 cost sharing model set forth in section 4 of PA 152 (effective January 1, 2013).

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Tobias, Umphenour, Dyke, Lauer, Love, Peltier, Schneider

Nays: None

Absent: None

**5. Four County Community Foundation Grant Application for Ice Rink**

Councilmember Lauer moved, Councilmember Dyke seconded, **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**, to support the submission of a grant application to the Four County Community Foundation for the purposes of supporting the ice rink project.

**OPEN DISCUSSION**

**1. Financial Position Report**

Councilmember Peltier asked if a quote had been received for the back-up well. Village Manager Turner expects Peerless to submit a quote by the end of the week.

**COUNCIL/MANAGER COMMENT:**

Councilmember Peltier thanked Council for approving the Ice Skating Ordinance and supporting the submission of the grant application to Four County Community Foundation.

Councilmember Dyke asked that police patrols be increased in light of the Sandy Hook tragedy.

Councilmember Umphenour asked if we could investigate the home across from Councilmember Dyke's home (321 Currier) regarding the wood laying in the front yard and stacked on the front porch.

Councilmember Peltier moved, Councilmember Lauer seconded, **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**, to allow Village Manager Turner to appoint a temporary Ordinance Enforcement Officer.

Councilmember Lauer mentioned he might not be able to attend the January 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting.



**ADJOURNMENT:**

The meeting adjourned at 9:38 p.m.

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Kimberly J. Keesler  
Clerk/Treasurer

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Steve Schneider  
President

Approved Date: January 2, 2013



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